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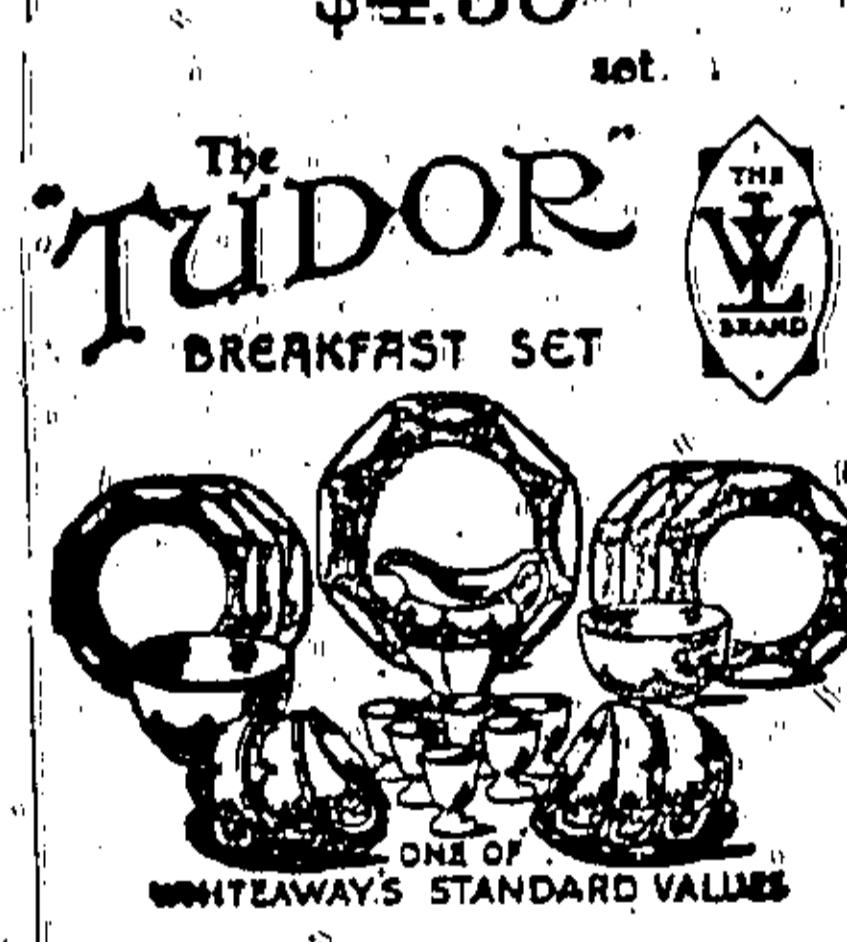
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## DEEDS NOT WORDS.

What Britain Expects From Russia.

### PROSPECTS OF BREACH.

One More Chance For Soviet to Change Its Tactics.

Before proceeding to any extremity, the British Government has felt it right to give the Soviet Government one more opportunity of conforming to the ordinary rules of international life.

This was the explanation of the recent British Note to Russia given by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs during an important debate on Anglo-Russian relations in the House of Commons yesterday.

### HOPES THAT FAILED.

Views of the Man Who Made The Pact.

Rugby, March 3. The debate on Anglo-Russian relations was initiated in the House of Commons by Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal) who declared that the British interests in Russia were peace and trade. In many Russian industries a revival was being witnessed, and he urged strongly against a rupture of relations with Russia at this juncture.

Sir Robert Horne (Conservative) referred to the fact that it was he himself who in 1921 made the Trade Agreement with Russia, and that he was supported in doing so by Mr. Lloyd George, who was then Premier.

He declared that he made the agreement believing that Russia with its vast resources was fitted to revive the economic fortunes of Europe.

He was not ashamed of his effort, but he confessed that all his hopes had failed to be realised. He did not believe that British trade would suffer at all by the breaking-off of relations with Russia.

### Long Before.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Labour Leader, and former Foreign Secretary, contended that diplomatic relations between this country and Russia from the year 1921 to the present had never given the Trade Agreement a proper chance.

He said that he was glad that the Foreign Secretary had sent his note to Russia. Since he himself left office he had been repeatedly asked what he would do.

He had no hesitation in saying that if he had been in office the Note would have been sent good long time before it was sent.

He thought that it would have been stiffer in substance.

But he hoped that the Government had at present no intention either of abrogating the Trade Agreement or of severing relations. He suggested that the specific points made against the Soviet Government should first be argued, reasoned and negotiated upon.

### Singling Out Britain.

Sir Austen Chamberlain took note with satisfaction and gratitude of the repetition by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald of those principles of international relations which he had sent to the Soviet Note which he had sent to the Soviet Government as one of his last executive acts when he was Premier and Foreign Secretary.

He noted also that Mr. MacDonald directly approved the action of the present Government in sending the Note now.

Referring to the daily propaganda of the Soviet Government, which he said had singled out the British Empire as the particular mark and object of their animosity and ill-will, Sir Austen Chamberlain said:

### Under View.

"What we ask of them is not that they shall change their domestic institutions, not that they shall refrain from preaching to their own people that their own institutions are superior to those which are preferred by the rest of the world, but that they should make their policy conform to the ordinary comity of nations, and abstain from efforts to promote world revolutions and from all interference in our internal affairs."

World as Witness.

Sir Austen Chamberlain concluded: "It is not merely verbal acceptance that we look for or that we can accept. It is acts of which we complain, and it is to acts in the future that we must look to see whether there is to be redress for these long series of outrages, or whether the patience and forbearance which the British Government, this Country and the Empire have shown are in vain and no longer possible of continuance."

"His Majesty's Government reserve to themselves the right to judge both of the expediency of any step they contemplate and the moment when that step shall

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## FURTHER SUCCESS.

Future of Kiukiang Concession.

### AGREEMENT COMPLETED.

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The following is the official version received by wireless:

Mr. O'Malley left Hankow yesterday to return to Peking to report to H.M. Minister.

Mr. Eric Teichman, Chinese Secretary of the Legation remains at Hankow to attend to the execution of the details of the Concession agreement and to maintain diplomatic contact with the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Nationalist Government on behalf of Sir Miles Lampson.

Before Mr. O'Malley's departure settlement was reached on the subject of the Kiukiang Concession.

It is learned that the administration of the Concession is being handed over to the Chinese authorities and that the question of compensation for losses sustained by British subjects during the disturbances at Kiukiang has been satisfactorily settled.

It is understood that the document will be available for publication to-morrow.

These messages are signed "Teichman."

Northerners Retiring.

The situation at Chungking remains quiet.

The last batch of missionaries has left down-river.

Troop movements down-river continue.

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### BRITISH BUDGET.

London, March 3. The Premier announced in the House of Commons that the Budget will be introduced on March 11.—Reuter.

Society installation have resumed work.

Movement of Shantung troops in large numbers across the river from Pukow at Nanking has recommenced.

One thousand Anhui troops (previously reported as having gone over to the Southerners) have been disarmed.

Reports from the direction of Kiuping indicate a general retirement of Northern troops towards the river between Wuhu and Nanjing.

### FORCES IN CHINA.

American Admiral's Complete Discretion.

Washington, March 3. Reuter's Agency is informed by the Navy Department that Ad



ADMIRAL C.S. WILLIAMS.

miral Williams as Commander-in-Chief of the United States naval forces in Asiatic waters had absolute discretionary authority to land men at Shanghai whenever he saw fit.

No word had been received from Admiral Williams regarding the proposed march of American marines through the International Settlement at Shanghai on

March 5, but it was emphasised that the Marines could be landed for exercise whenever the commanding officer chose.—Reuter's American Service.

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## ARMY COST.

Despatch of Troops to China.

### HONG KONG ITEMS.

London, March 3. The Army Estimates for the forthcoming financial year are £41,505,000, a decrease of £935,000.

The minimum number of the establishment is 166,800, with an increase of 7,100.—Reuter.

The reduction in the Estimates is largely due to a decrease in pay saving £646,000, notwithstanding an increase in the personnel of 7,100.

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### COLLIERY DISASTER.

London, March 3. The Lord Mayor OPEN FUND.

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Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1927.

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## NOTICES.

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their possession will forfeit the  
same and will be removed from the  
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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 16th Feb., 1927.

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By Order of the Court of

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A. H. BARLOW,

Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1927.

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ANYO MARU ..... Tuesday, 3rd May, at Noon.  
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MARSELLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Ports.  
KITANO MARU ..... Saturday, 12th March, at 11 a.m.  
HARUNA MARU ..... Saturday, 26th March.  
KAMO MARU ..... Saturday, 9th April.  
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.  
TANGO MARU ..... Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.  
AKI MARU ..... Wednesday, 20th April.  
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.  
TAKETOYO MARU ..... Friday, 18th March.  
MAYEBASHI MARU ..... Saturday, 26th March.  
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.  
TOYOHASHI MARU (Calls Saigon) ..... Friday, 11th March.  
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.  
HAKATA MARU ..... Wednesday, 23rd March.  
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.  
SADO MARU ..... Friday, 11th March.  
AKITA MARU ..... Tuesday, 16th March.  
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.  
HAKODATE MARU ..... Thursday, 10th March.  
NAGANO MARU ..... Saturday, 19th March.  
RANGOON via SINGAPORE & PENANG.  
YAMAGATA MARU ..... Monday, 7th March.  
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
AKI MARU ..... Saturday, 19th March.  
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.  
KATORI MARU ..... Monday, 7th March.  
DURBAN MARU ..... Friday, 11th March.  
PEŇANG MARU ..... Saturday, 12th March.  
ATSUTA MARU ..... Tuesday, 22nd March.  
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G. METZINGER ..... A	26th Feb.	12th Mar.	12th April
AMAZONE ..... B	11th Mar.	12th Mar.	20th April
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RIVER STEAMBOAT AT WUCHOW.

A MINOR BOYCOTT?

News has reached the Colony that the river steamer "San Ning" (not to be confused with the China Navigation Co.'s "Sunning") is delayed at Wuchow, on the West River, owing to a minor boycott.

For about a year after the strike began in June, 1926, the "San Ning" lay idle. Then she was sold to new owners at Canton. The flag was changed to Chinese and she was put on the Canton-Wuchow run. After the settlement of the boycott last October, she was re-sold to Hong Kong and reverted to British registry.

The "Anti-Foreign" Society at Wuchow is alleged to have started a boycott against the vessel on account of flying the British flag.

HARBOUR OFFENCES.

Fines were inflicted at the Marine Court this morning as follow:

Two trading junk masters, \$5 each for anchoring in Causeway Bay without permission.

Master of a fishing junk, \$10 for failing to renew his licence on expiry.

SHIPS IN PORT.

This morning there were 62 ocean-going merchant vessels in Hong Kong harbour, of which number 29 fly the British flag.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day, there were 19 arrivals and 24 departures.

UNION'S ORDERS.

CREW OF "SAN NAM HOI" CHANGED.

BOAT THEN AGROUND!

On the very first trip after the crew had been "changed" by order of the Chinese Seamen's Union, the local steamboat "San Nam Hoi" ran aground in the West River for ten hours!

The "San Nam Hoi" has plied for years regularly between Hong Kong and Pakkai, the port of Kowloon. Formerly she was the ill-fated "Tai On" that was set afire by pirates who were daubed by the heroism of British officers and a Portuguese watchman. The boat sank but was salvaged and reconstructed.

The owners received an intimation that the Seamen's Union in Canton had the old crew—some of whom had been on the ship for ten and eight years—were to be replaced by a new batch from Canton.

Expectations Not Realised.

As the ship flies the Chinese flag, non-compliance would have meant a boycott. The new crew arrived in Hong Kong on Sunday and immediately took up their jobs.

They state that they were on the Union's waiting list and that some of them had looked forward to being "posted" on rotation, to ocean-going ships.

The "San Nam Hoi" was refloated on her last trip and arrived back in Hong Kong this morning.

## NEARBY PORTS.

STRIKES AT SWATOW &amp; SAMSHUI.

COOLIES IN TROUBLE.

Reports of strikes at two nearby ports have been received in Hong Kong.

From Swatow it is gathered that some of the cargo coolies have stopped work on account of a Union dis-

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Cost of the "Rodney" and "Nelson."

London, March 3.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr. W. Bridgeman, questioned in the House of Commons, announced that the battleships "Rodney" and "Nelson" were expected to be completed in September and July, respectively.

The total cost, including guns, is £6,566,884, and £6,433,879, respectively. Ammunition and reserve cost a further £921,390 each.—Reuter.

pute which led to a number of members being arrested. Hong Kong shipping, it is stated, is not materially affected.

A strike was also in existence at Samshui, on the lower part of the West River, but this has also been settled.

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EMPERESS OF CANADA	Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 29	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPERESS OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 21
EMPERESS OF ASIA	July 11	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21

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AMAZON MARU ..... Friday, 11th April.	SHUNNO MARU ..... Saturday, 19th March.
ALASKA MARU ..... Friday, 11th May.	DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Colombo, Durban & Capetown.	HAWAII MARU ..... Friday, 1st April.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.	BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
BANGKOK—Via Colombo.	SHUNNO MARU ..... Sunday, 8th March.
VICORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan	(Proceeds to Karachi).
Ports.	SHUNNO MARU ..... Saturday, 19th March.
PARIS MARU ..... (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 16th March.	DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
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KASHGAR	9,006	12th March	Marselles, London, Antwerp & R'dam
NAGPUR	5,283	14th March	Sigon, M'lus, L'don, H'burg & R'dam
NYANZA	7,023	16th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marselles, London
MACEDONIA	11,130	2nd April	Marselles & London
KHYBER	9,124	9th April	Marselles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull
DEVANHA	8,156	19th April	Marselles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,341	30th April	Marselles and London
NELLCRE	6,853	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	14th May	Marselles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	Sigon, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	28th May	Marselles & London
KASIMIR	9,006	11th June	Marselles and London
MANTUA	10,902	25th June	Marselles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th July	Marselles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	23rd July	Marselles and London

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SHIRALA	7,841	8th March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,949	24th March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
JANUS	4,824	31st March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

## EASTERN &amp; AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

TANDA	6,966	4th March	
ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
TANDA	6,966	3rd June	Melbourne
ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st July	
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TAKADA	6,947	6th March	Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	11th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
JANUS	4,824	12th March	Kobe
DEVAHNA	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	22nd March	Kobe
LAHORE	5,252	27th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,980	Lat April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Shanghai, Moji & Yokohama
JEYPORE	7,648	12th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLCRE	6,853	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	23rd April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,963	29th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TANDA	6,968	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama

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## PASSENGER LIST.

## ARRIVALS.

First-class passengers arrived at Hong Kong on March 2 by the M.M. "Paul Lecat" from Marseilles and party were:- Mrs. C. M. Lindsay Woods, Miss Chater, Major Oliver Crona, Miss Richardson, Miss M. Del Carmen Y. Soriano, Mrs. Margarita Vida de Soriano, Miss Antonia Goni Y. Arana, Mr. Soulange Tessier, Mrs. Hulch, Mr. J. K. Gwinell, Mr. T. Toda, Mr. Lee Chung-ying, Mr. M. D. Cronin, Mr. M. D. Hudson and Mr. Monagle, Miss Mood, Mr. Yves Henry.

Passenger arrived at Hong Kong on March 3 by the Blue Funnel s.s. "Antenor" from the United Kingdom and ports were:- Mr. and Mrs. J. L. and Mrs. W. L. Adams, Mrs. and Miss E. R. H. Basket, Mr. A. Brostadt, Mr. R. Coit, Capt. and Mrs. Mr. H. T. and Miss S. H. Croft, Mr. A. Duncan, Mr. A. D. Goodliffe, Mr. and Mrs. H. and Miss D. B. Griffin, Mrs. Hayley Bell, Miss E. M. Homes, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. L. W. Lewer, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mr. W. Mackenzie, Mr. K. S. Morrison, Rev. T. W. Pearce, Mrs. Sheel, Miss L. C. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith, Mr. H. F. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. and Mrs. J. F. W. D. J. E. and P. Shepleton, Mr. D. H. Banner, Mr. R. Bloo, Mr. E. F. Bothwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Buchanan, Miss E. R. Campbell, Mr. J. N. Cunningham, Mr. D. D. Dryden, Mrs. P. and Mrs. P. A. C. Jonas, Mr. J. Law, Mr. G. M. S. Lee, Mrs. Lowe, Mrs. and Miss W. Martin, Mr. H. L. Molynex, Mr. J. C. Parkin, Miss P. M. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. C. and the Misses (3) Rogers, Mrs. Springfield, Miss F. L. Webb, Mr. G. F. Wheatcroft, Mrs. Helen, Mr. A. Wood.

## DEPARTURES.

European passengers sailed from Hong Kong for Shanghai on the M.M. "Paul Lecat" on March 2, were:- Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Midgley, Mr. H. F. Henley, Mr. P. I. Newman, Mr. J. P. Bourne, Rev. J. H. Franklin, Rev. H. F. Watson, Rev. D. B. MacQueen, Dr. Kurvran, Mr. C. J. Machado, Rev. Fr. Gagnon, Mr. S. E. Jensen, Mr. G. Koloskeff.

First-class passengers who left Hong Kong for Manila on the Dollar Line "President Lincoln" on March 3 were:- Miss A. Alamat, Mr. E. Carr, Mrs. M. W. Cabb, Mr. F. Corrales, Mrs. V. Dyson, Miss C. Dyson, Mr. C. Elkins, Mr. W. S. Flickes, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Fox, Mr. R. L. Fox, Mr. P. Francisco, Mr. H. W. Gerber, Mr. F. G. Glass, Mr. F. Habermann, Mrs. A. Gleason, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hall, Dr. and Mrs. B. N. Hudson, Miss M. N. Hudson, Mrs. E. Jennings, Capt. Paak Kasasami, Miss A. R. Kingsbury, Mr. H. Koeper, Mrs. E. and the Misses E. and R. Lesser, Miss K. M. Davis, Mr. F. R. Miller, Mrs. S. Mosher, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. McBurney, Mr. J. Okis, Mr. J. Owsley, Mr. C. M. Peterson, Mr. Qia Chi-hay and family, Mr. H. R. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Ross, E. M. Sholten, Jr., Mrs. E. T. Captain Sitt Saeng Xuto, Mr. See Choak, Mrs. G. L. Sheeks, Mr. Shelton, Miss M. E. Shelton, Mr. I. Sexton, Mr. C. T. Stark, Miss M. M. Thuman, Mr. M. R. Victor, Miss G. P. Wittman, Miss H. R. Winnans, Miss Wong Bee-kiong, Miss E. Zangerle, Mr. H. L. Schultz, Mr. Nai Sotij Jothikathira, Mr. and Mrs. D. Scudder, Miss C. Scudder, Miss G. Channon, Mr. E. H. Munson, Mr. J. K. Winzell, Mr. J. R. Schultz, Mr. Tan Ting-bing, Mr. M. R. Bourne, Mr. Y. Henry, Mrs. M. R. "De Soriano, Miss E. Goni, Miss P. Adenzabalo, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Marquard, Prof. M. O. Hudson, Mr. Montague.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benavon" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here to day.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Manila yesterday, at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong to-morrow, at 8.30 a.m. The Ben Line s.s. "Benmaiden" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on March 6.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 28, p.m., and is due here on March 6, at about 7 a.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Yokohama on Feb. 25, and is due at Vancouver on March 6, about 2 p.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Feb. 26, and is due here on March 18.

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Washington, March 3. President Coolidge has signed the Bill authorising appropriations for modernising the Oklahoma and Nevada, including the elevation of guns. -Reuter's American Service.

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Hong Kong, Friday, March 4, 1927.

### MERELY TRANSITORY.

In presiding over the farewell dinner in honour of Mr. A. H. Ferguson, manager of the Chartered Bank, Sir Robert Ho Tung

was in a particularly happy vein in his allusion to the troublous times in China. As the hosts

were the Committee of the Twenty Four Merchant's Guild

and their friends—all of them,

presumably of Cantonese birth—

the views expressed on their behalf are nothing if not significant and important. Moreover, the

very fact that such a harmonious

gathering is possible at the

moment is adequate testimony to

the great faith of the local Chin

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mercial integrity and in British

bona fides with regard to China

generally.

Sir Robert Ho Tung referred

to the estrangement between the

British and the Chinese in China,

but how far there is any funda

mental difference he left to the

good sense of the large gathering

over which he presided to

answer for him. His own con

clusion is one which will meet

with the full concurrence of all

who have seriously studied the

present problem—namely, that

"this estrangement and this dif

ference is but superficial and

transitory." Like many others,

Sir Robert is convinced that

when the present gap is bridged

over, the old friendship and trust

will be restored to the greater

advantage of both.

Great has been the drain on the

coffers of the Cantonese people,

but that cannot have been suf

cient in itself to defray both the

expenses of the expedition to the

North and the cost of winning

over the services of opposing mil

itary leaders. The fact, however,

that both Wu Pei-fu and Sun

Chuan-fang have suffered from

trenchery shows that the machi

nery of the Nationalists is much

better organised for secret pro

paganda than does that of the

Guomindang that does not stop at

making a man a traitor to his own

side. Whether this will avail the

Nationalists much in the long run

remains to be seen. At present

it appears to be having only the

effect of prolonging the civil war

which, already, has had devastating

effects on the country as a

whole.

### MISS NORA MOON.

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the moderns. A rare quality, in

fact, and when met with in the

musical profession, particularly re

freshing—especially in its applica

tion to vocal art. A true exponent

of the soprano, Miss Nora Moon,

who gave a recital yesterday at the

Heleena May Institute. Her pro

gramme was a veritable model of

versatile expression. Side by side

with the highly dramatic and de

corative "Vittoria," one found ex

amples of Puccini's smooth lyricism

in the Butterly, Mimì and Musetta

arias, whilst, as further contrast,

Miss Moon had drawn upon early

Verdi. All the arias she sang

were heavy old favourites, but none

the less acceptable for that, and

whilst one admired the adherence

to traditional interpretation, one

could not help but feel amazed, too,

at the facile manner in which the

singer switched from one type to

another. The group of songs which

were followed were also chosen with an

eye to their separate and distinc

tive values. Miss Moon seemed to

establish here a closer relationship

with her British audience. And

well she might. For the appeal in

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### THE DEFENCE OF MR. ERNEST TREVOR.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Sir—I would ask you to contra

dict the suggestion that I am con

ducting the defence of Mr. Ernest

Trevor, as my present commercial

obligations expressly preclude me

from such action.

I feel it would have been unre

sponsible to refuse his request that

I should apply for bail since his

detention rendered it impossible for

him to make an application on his

## 5,000 TROOPS.

Battalion For Fanning To-morrow.

## GUARDS AT HAPPY VALLEY?

The 1st Battalion the Middlesex Regiment (arriving yesterday by the s.s. "Karmala") will be proceeding to Fanning to-morrow where they will go under canvas and remain there until further orders.

There is not sufficient camp accommodation at Fanning for the 1st Borderers who arrived with the Middlesex and in the meantime (until the Fanning camp is enlarged), these men are split up between the Wellington and Victoria Barracks, Hong Kong.

The 1st Green Howards (which, Battalion arrived yesterday on the s.s. "Assaye") are remaining on board until further orders. Eventually, they too will proceed to Fanning.

The naval hospital ship "Maine" (white with red crosses) arrived yesterday evening and is at buoy in the harbour.

No definite orders have yet been received relating to the Cold-streams but, with the view of getting "the lay of the land" should they be remaining here for some time, a visit of inspection was paid to Happy Valley yesterday and the Race Stands and other huts, being erected, were examined. The stands, it is understood, will be utilised if necessary.

The work of preparing Happy Valley for the Cold-streams is likely to take about another ten days. In the meantime, they remain aboard except for occasional route marches. "Star" ferries are utilised for their transport to and from shore. There was a strong turn out for a route march after tiffin to-day, the men lining the Bund prior to moving off.

The only remaining troops to arrive are the Cameronians and the Royal Artillery, on the s.s. "Hermes" which is due here on Sunday.

At the moment, there are about 5,000 troops of the Shanghai Defence Force in Hong Kong.

## THIEF CHASED.

## CHINESE WOMEN'S SPIRITED ACTION.

While two Chinese women were walking in Praya East, near the Naval Canteen, yesterday morning, a youth came up from behind and snatched a gold ear pick from the hair of one of them. Both women pluckily gave chase, blowing a police whistle as they went. After a long run the snatcher was stopped by a constable in Lai Chit Street.

He must have dropped the woman's ornament during the chase as it was not found on him when he was searched at No. 2 Police Station. Instead, another hair ornament broken in three lengths was found in his coat pocket together with six pawn tickets, five relating to clothing and one to a gold watch.

The sequel was heard in Major Wilson's Court this morning when the arrested man was charged with snatching and unlawful possession of the broken hair ornament.

He denied snatching and said he joined the chase when he heard the police whistle and was surprised he was arrested. The broken ornament he said he picked up in the Race Course on the third day of the races.

Convictions were recorded by His Worship. On the snatching charge accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and 20 strokes. Sentence of one month hard labour was passed on the second count.

## ARMED ROBBERS.

## WOMAN PLUCKILY RAISES ALARM.

Four men attempted to carry out an armed robbery on the third floor of No. 15, Lyndhurst Terrace at 7 a.m. to-day. The leader of the gang who was armed with a pork butcher's knife attempted to intimidate a woman inmate of the house but she very pluckily gave the alarm and the men bolted without stealing anything.

## FLOOR GIVES WAY.

## CHINESE MAN SERIOUSLY INJURED.

The second floor of No. 252, Wan Chai Road, a rather old building, suddenly collapsed without warning yesterday afternoon. A Chinese man, the only person on the premises at the time, fell through to the ground floor together. The man was rescued from the debris by firemen and police and taken to hospital badly injured. Shorings have been put in and the building has been vacated.

## "YELLOWISH GREEN."

## FORGED HONG KONG BANK NOTE.

## CHARGE AGAINST TAILOR.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with attempting to pass a forged \$10 note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

Accused who said he was a tailor claimed to have received the note from a customer who had since gone home to Kowloon. He did not know it was forged at the time it passed.

It was alleged accused went to No. 8, Kwan Yik Street, Kennedy Town, to rent a cubicle. He offered to give a deposit of \$3 and tendered the false note for change.

The mistress of the house saw at once that the note was forged and sent for the police station.

Mr. H. G. Hegarty, assistant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, said the note was not so good a forgery as some he had seen recently. The colour was yellowish green. Personally he could tell at a glance that it was a forgery. He did not think the note could deceive the ordinary European or Chinese who were used to handling notes of this denomination.

A remand was ordered until tomorrow for evidence to be produced as to the accused's character.

## "SEVERE LESSON."

## EUROPEAN POLICE OFFICER'S OFFENCE.

Ernest Wright, a member of the Hong Kong Police Force, was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with being absent from duty at the Central Police Station from 8 a.m. on February 26 to 11 a.m. on the 3.

Mr. Wodehouse, D.S.P., said the defendant was absent from duty during the stated hours except for a short period on the 3rd when he attended Court to proceed with some summonses.

The C.S.P. had had occasion to reprimand the defendant for negligence on two or three occasions previously and this time, with a view to giving him a severe lesson directed that he be charged in Court.

Defendant said he met some friends from one of the trooperships and had two or three drinks, and was afterwards not responsible for his actions.

He was fined \$25 or in default 14 days hard labour.

The fine was paid.

## DEAD BABY'S BODY.

## \$100 FINE FOR DUMPING IN STREET.

The Chinese charged with dumping the dead body of a baby which had died of small-pox was again before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, when he pleaded that he had no money to pay for funeral expenses, and was on his way to the body to the mortuary when he was arrested.

His Worship pointed out that accused was going in the wrong direction at the time, and convicted him of dumping.

Dr. Paper, M.O.H., pressed for a heavy penalty in the interest of the public, and asked leave to withdraw the charge of failing to report the death of the child.

This was granted, and His Worship imposed a fine of \$100 on the first charge.

## FINE TO CLOUDY.

Although a brighter day, the temperature at the Observatory this morning was two degrees lower than yesterday viz. 49.

The forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow is: N. winds, fresh; fine to cloudy.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

## EXPIRED LOTTERY TICKETS.

A Chinese was charged before Major Wilson this morning with the unlawful possession of four "poplu" lottery tickets.

He said the lottery was drawn on February 11 and he was retaining the tickets because he had not yet seen the result of the draw.

Inspector Lanning said that the tickets had in fact expired and asked for a discharge which was granted.

## WOODEN SHED ABLAZE.

Damage to the extent of \$200 was done by fire which broke out in a wooden shed used for storing straw on the foreshore at Ah Kong Nam, Shaukiwan. Firemen and police were early on the scene and extinguished the flames after a brisk fight.

## FOR CHILDREN'S BRUISES.

Pupil of Miss Violet Capell recently made her a presentation of a handsome Spanish shawl and we are asked by Miss Capell to express her thanks for the kindly gift which prompted the gift (the shawl was one of the many excellent ones the Pioneer Silk Store have on view).

## OFF TO IRAQ.

## LEGAL SECRETARY TO HIGH COMMISSIONER.

## MR. NIHILL'S NEW POST.

Confirmation has been received of the appointment of Mr. J. H. B. Nihill as Legal Secretary to the High Commissioner of Iraq.

This being mandated territory (under the Versailles Treaty), the post is under the Colonial Office.

Mr. Nihill, who is at present acting as Puisne Judge, was born in 1892 and educated at Felsted and Emmanuel College, Cambridge, where he took 2nd-Class Honours in the historical tripos.

He was elected President of the Cambridge Union in May, 1914 and shortly after the outbreak of hostilities, enlisted with the Honourable Artillery Company and later obtained a Commission with the Munster Fusiliers, serving with the Regiment throughout the War and gaining the Military Cross.

On demobilisation (in 1919)

Mr. Nihill joined the Ministry of Labour as an investigating Officer in the Joint Industrial Councils Department and in that capacity assisted in the formation of several Whitley Councils.

In 1920, Mr. Nihill became Private Secretary to Sir William Edge M.P., then Junior Lord of the Treasury in Mr. Lloyd George's Coalition Government.

In July of 1921, Mr. Nihill was appointed a cadet in the Hong Kong Civil Service and after

studying Cantonese at Macao he was appointed the following year Third-Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs. He passed his final examination in Cantonese in December, 1923, and in March of that year became Acting Assistant to the Chinese Affairs.

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## TRADE WITH RUSSIA.

## Now Greater Than With China.

London, March 3.

Anglo-Russian relations were debated in the House of Commons on the initiative of the Liberal, Sir Archibald Sinclair, moving a reduction in the vote.

He declared that during the past two years Britain's trade with Russia was greater than with China.

He thought the last words of the Soviet Note offered an opportunity of improving Anglo-Russian relations and laying the foundations of world peace.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald accused the Conservatives of embarking on mischievous and subversive propaganda which, if adopted by Russia against us, would not have been tolerated by the Labour Government.

He declared that if he had been in office the Note would have been sent to Russia long before 1927, and that Note would have been less stiff in its language than Sir Austen Chamberlain's it would have been stiffer in substance.

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## No Compromise With South.

## EMPHATIC STATEMENT.

Peking, Feb. 21.

General Yang Yu-ting, Marshal Chang Tao-in's chief of staff, interviewed by Reuter and newspaper correspondents to-day emphatically declared that there could be no compromise with the Southerners until the Russian Bolsheviks were eliminated.

If the Southerners attacked Shanghai the Northerners would defend it. The Fengtien forces and the Cantonese would inevitably clash very shortly in Honan, Kiangsu and Anhui.

He declared there was always the possibility of all parties in China compromising and sooner or later they would make peace among themselves. But he declared, emphatically, that the time for compromise with the South had not yet come.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Musicale advertised for March 10, at the Helena May Institute is cancelled and will take place on March 17 instead. Advt.

Shanghai must have felt the holding up of the mail service during the general strike, as a letter dated Feb. 18 only reached the addressee in Hong Kong this week. Readers will remember that the Post Office employees were prominent in the short-lived stoppage. One long took the precaution of "cabling" in ordinary language a summary of the contents of the letter referred to. The recipient in Hong Kong was very pleased to get the telegram as the delay to the letter might have caused serious inconvenience. It is interesting to recall that the Hong Kong Post Office never ceased functioning during the 1925 crisis as volunteers, the clerical staff and men from other departments ably carried on after some of the postmen had walked out. True, people had to call for mail in person but there was hardly any delay at all.

Everybody in England is aware that Chamberlain and Churchill would never have been so reasonable over China if they had not had some trick up their sleeves, according to "Truth," whose theory that it takes the murder of missionaries to stir the United States may have sounded somewhat grim, but Hankow suggests that Chinese Bolshevism is to be allowed its head until something happens. Few Americans are thinking just now of the Yellow Peril. They can afford to lose the trade with China and go on more prosperous than ever. But if China really turns nasty and becomes a big stick in the hands of Russia, the United States will be as deeply involved as she was when Germany kicked over the traces. The Republicans, like Woodrow Wilson, will lose the White House. But the intervention will be, none the less, regarded as unavoidable.

Mr. Charles Mitchell, president of the National City Bank of New York, which has a branch in Hong Kong, who has announced that the deposits in that institution have passed the billion dollar mark, an accomplishment unprecedented in the annals of American banking. The bank is the largest in America, measured by every standard, and has the largest capital investment of any bank in the world.

Thursday's return of notifiable disease in the Colony comprised three cases of small-pox (2 Chinese and 1 non-resident Indian) and two cases of typhoid (Chinese). All the patients were registered in the city district.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. D. H. Banner, of the staff of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, was a passenger on the "Antenor" which arrived here yesterday from Home.

The Rev. J. H. Franklin, the Rev. H. F. Watson, the Rev. D. B. MacQueen, the Rev. Father Gagnon and Dr. Kervran were among the passengers who sailed from Hong Kong for Shanghai on the M.M. "Paul Lecat."

The sudden death, due to heart failure, of Mr. George William Ritchie, of Victoria (Malaya) Rubber Estates Ltd., Padang Seral and Ashburn, Brechin, Scotland, occurred at the General Hospital, Penang, on February 17.

Having spent several months leave at Home, Mr. K. S. Morrison returned to the Colony yesterday on the "Antenor." Mr. Morrison is a director of Messrs. Bradley & Co., Ltd., and is a fine golfer and a keen Volunteer officer.

Mr. H. Griffin of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire (accompanied by Mrs. Griffin) were on the "Antenor" which arrived yesterday from Home where they have been on long leave. Mr. Griffin has been missed from the Hong Kong Cricket Club this season as he has bowled well regularly for the second eleven.

Mr. J. P. Bourne, Superintendent of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd., sailed on Wednesday by the M.M. "Paul Lecat" for Shanghai. He is going northwards to meet the tourist ship "California" which will later come on to Hong Kong where the cruise will be in the hands of the Hotels Co. Mr. Bourne was accompanied by Mr. P. I. Newman, resident manager of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Another successful Ladies' Night was held at the European Y.M.C.A. last night, there being a large number of members and guests present. The contributors to the programme were Mrs. Glen, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mr. C. W. Baldwin, Mr. R. Baldwin, Eng. Lt. Com. A. S. Bedells, Mr. W. F. White, Mr. C. D. Lake and the Unique Orchestra. The subject of the next debate at the Y.M.C.A. is "Is it the opinion of this meeting that a man's own powers play a greater part than chance in achieving success?" Mr. E. H. Ashton and Mr. A. M. Dampf for the negative. Mr. T. J. Price and Mr. A. A. Dampf for the positive.

A Chinese woman was knocked down by a motor lorry in Connaught Road, Central yesterday. She was badly injured and removed to hospital.

Suffering from Lysol poisoning, stated to be self administered, a Chinese woman residing on the second floor of No. 40, Stanley Street was yesterday taken to hospital.



The resignation of Captain G. H. H. Bell, 2nd/K.O.S.B.'s and the appointment of Brevet Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray, D.S.O., M.C., Gordon Highlanders, as Adjutant, are mentioned in current orders for the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

"Sorry, sir, but my instructions are to admit nobody without a ticket" said one of the military men doing duty at the public stand gate of the race course on Tuesday. The man addressed was not in uniform but he gave his name as one of the titled officers of the 2nd Coldstream Guards, the battalion having just arrived that day. However, the ranker suggested the members' enclosure down the road. A few minutes later, the visitor presented himself at that gate and was immediately admitted. During the afternoon, quite a number of Guards officers were noticed in attendance and it is believed that they were all accepted on an "honorary" basis. But none of them entered through the public gate!

A fine illustration of Sino-British friendship is reported by a correspondent in connection with the annual race meeting. On Derby Day, a very prettily dressed Chinese girl boarded a tram near the Dragon Motor Co.'s garage at Happy Valley to find only standing room. Jerked backwards when the tram started, she lost her foothold for a moment. A British matron was sitting just behind her. Before the girl could protest, the British lady had held her by the waist and then drew the girl down to sit on her knees. One spoke in Chinese and the other in English. Neither understood a word said by the other (observes the "correspondent") but they smiled at each other and kept on nodding till the tram had reached the gate to the members' enclosure. Squeezing out through the crowd, the British lady gently dropped the now reassured girl into her seat with a parting admonition "you take my place" to which the girl replied with "m'go" (thank you).

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The Blue Funnel steamer "Antenor," which arrived here yesterday from Home via Singapore and ports, brought back a number of residents to Hong Kong. Those who disembarked here included Captain and Mrs. Croft and Miss S. H. Croft, Mr. A. Duncan, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. L. W. Lewer.

Bound for Manila, the "President Lincoln" had a long passenger list when she sailed from Hong Kong yesterday. Those on the boat include Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Marquard, Captain Paak Kesasamli, Professor M. O. Hudson, Captain Sitt Saeng Xuto, Dr. and Mrs. B. N. Hudson.

Major Olivereira has returned to China, arriving at Hong Kong from Macau this week on the M.M. "Paul Lecat."

From the same port were Mrs. C. M. Lindsay Woods, Miss Chater, Miss Richardson and Miss Souliang Teissier (French Consul) all bound for Hong Kong.

From Singapore, the boat brought Mr. T. Toda of the Japanese Government and Mr. Lee Chung-yao, a Chinese broker.

Mr. J. A. E. Bullock, I.S.O., M.B.E., D.C.M., Chief Clerk of the Colonial Secretariat and Mr. J. L. McPherson, general secretary of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., have both been awarded the long service medal for Colonial Auxiliary Forces. Mr. Bullock is in the Reserve Company and Mr. McPherson in the Scottish Reserve Company. Both are Privates.

The death of Mr. A. A. Craigen has occurred at Taiping with tragic suddenness. Mr. Craigen, who was the proprietor of Eaglehurst estate, had been in poor health for some time, and, with Mrs. Craigen, was booked to sail for home few days later. He was apparently quite all right when he dropped in at the New Club, Taiping, but half an hour or so after his arrival he was taken ill and, on the advice of Dr. Duff, was removed to the Hospital, where he died a few hours after admission.

The wife of Colonel F. Hayley Bell, Commissioner of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and district, Mrs. Hayley Bell, died in Hong Kong yesterday.

The Rev. T. W. Pearce of the London Missionary Society came back to Hong Kong yesterday on the "Antenor." Dr. Pearce is an honorary L.L.D. of the University and was warden of Morrison Hall. A very old resident, Dr. Pearce is an expert on the Chinese language and is well known to "trifling" as being in charge of the Chamber of Commerce School for Chinese Studies. Dr. Pearce was given a hearty send-off from Home on returning from Asia.

After 6½ years, Mr. F. W. Ramsay of Taikoo Dock proceeds on nine months' leave at Home by the P. & O. "Mantu" on Saturday.

"Peter" as he is best known to his friends all over the Colony, is the popular Company Quartermaster-Sergeant of the Scottish Company, H.K.Y.C. All ranks of the killed volunteers owe their C.G.M.S. a deep debt for the wonderful way in which he has looked after the needs of the "inner man" when the Company is out in camp or on field day. Perhaps his catering is the secret of the enthusiasm in the Scottish Co. Besides being a leading Freemason, Mr. Ramsay gives much of his time to public institutions. He is an ardent clubman and a keen footballer, although he has given up playing for some years. May "Peter" have a bumper holiday!

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Princess Alexandra Victoria of Hohenlohe-Langenburg, daughter-in-law of the ex-Kaiser of Germany, will exhibit in London.

The wife of Colonel F. Hayley Bell, Commissioner of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and district, Mrs. Hayley Bell, died in Hong Kong yesterday.

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Another successful Ladies' Night was held at the European Y.M.C.A. last night, there being a large number of members and guests present. The contributors to the programme were Mrs. Glen, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod, Mr. C. W. Baldwin, Mr. R. Baldwin, Eng. Lt. Com. A. S. Bedells, Mr. W. F. White, Mr. C. D. Lake and the Unique Orchestra. The subject of the next debate at the Y.M.C.A. is "Is it the opinion of this meeting that a man's own powers play a greater part than chance in achieving success?" Mr. E. H. Ashton and Mr. A. M. Dampf for the affirmative and Mr. T. J. Price and Mr. A. A. Dampf for the negative.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## SOCCER NOTES

ONLY FOUR MATCHES ON SATURDAY.

JUNIOR SHIELD TIE.

Local soccer on Saturday will be restricted to four fixtures but these will be fairly interesting in their respective spheres.

Needless to say, curtain will be due to-morrow being the fourth day of the Jockey Club annual race meeting. Possibly on account of the races, there will be no play at Happy Valley grounds. Fixtures, times, venues and referees are:

JUNIOR SHIELD:

2nd Round (postponed to).

St. Joseph's College "B" v. Chinese Athlete "A," Sookumpo "A" ground, 2:30 p.m.; Mr. Gilbert.

LEAGUE:

Division I:

South China A. A. v. Royal Artillery, Sookumpo "A" ground, 4:30 p.m.; Mr. W. E. Hulands.

Division II, Section "A":

Royal Artillery Reserves v. Club de Recreio Reserves, Sookumpo "B" ground, 3 p.m.; Mr. Lansdale.

Kowloon F.C. Reserves v. 2nd/ King's Own Scottish Borderers Reserves, Kowloon F.C. ground, 3 p.m.; Captain Austin.

Hard Task Ahead:

Extra time will be played, if necessary in the shield tie, ten minutes each way. The contesting teams meet for the right of playing the "Borderers" Reserves on the H.K.F.C. ground on March 12, when the semi-final round is down for decision. The Chinese should win. No matter which side gets through, it will have a difficult time against the Koshies' second eleven, the infantry being practically assured by the section "A" league championship and are favourites for the junior shield.

On Wednesday, the draw for the semi-final in both divisions of the Shield competition was published in the "China Mail."

Senior Shield Prospects:

In the upper circle, Kowloon F.C. (holders, for two seasons in succession) should pass through to the final but the steady Royal Artillery side should give the Peninsula men a hard tussle as the match is at Sookumpo and Kowloon do strange things away from home.

In their present form, the Police should get the better of the Koshies' 1st XI but a replay may be necessary before the right of appearing in the final is decided.

Kowloon Reserves and the H.K.F.C. Reserves meet in the semi-final of the junior division but the chances of the ultimate winners are not too rosy in the final.

Senior League Struggle:

Elsewhere on this page are given the league tables to date.

The question of H.M.S. "Tamar's" withdrawal from the senior division has been settled. Here each club has to play fourteen matches. Either the Police or Chinese Athletic can still get level with the leaders if maximum points are obtained in the remaining two fixtures for each club. Should the Police or the Athletic drop a point, the championship goes to the Recreio. Or if Recreio get one more point from their last three games, they win the Cup for the season.

Now there are six clubs in the race for runners-up medals, i.e., all but the Recreio and the wooden sponsons (South China) who meet the Gunners to-morrow.

Prior to the Interport festival, South China showed signs of improvement but have recently gone off again. On form, the Gunners should add two valuable points to their score.

Junior Table:

Each of the clubs in section "A" has to play eighteen matches.

Working on figures again, Chinese Athletic "A," the A.R.A. Reserves and Kowloon Reserves may catch up the Borderers' Reserves (leaders and the only undefeated team in the three leagues).

The Infantrymen are still as strong as ever. Even if their three nearest competitors get full points as from to-day, the Borderers need only three points out of their last five games to become junior champions.

A prediction that they will obtain the points (a win and a draw, or three draws) can be easily made. That issue out of the way, there will still be a close struggle for the second position.

In Section "B":

Matters are clearer in section "B" where St. Joseph's College Reserves and Moslem Club have to play off for the championship.

Each club has 24 points and has played all the requisite games.

The Moslems have the better goal average but only points count in the Hong Kong Football League.

In their longue cricket match to be played on the Civil Service ground at 2 p.m. to-morrow, the following will represent the Indian R.C.:—Sirdar Khan (captain), J. S. Akbar, M. P. Madar, S. A. R. Ismail, V. T. Mans, A. S. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, I. Hassan, A. S. Sufi, R. D. Rumjahn.

## THE RACES.

ANNUAL MEETING, 4TH DAY.

OLD EVENT REVIVED.

(By "Patrol")

The same procedure will be adopted at the fourth day (to-morrow) of the annual race meeting on earlier days.

The first race is at 12 noon and the fifth race (after the tiffin interval) is at 3 p.m.

There are ten events on the card including the Subscription Griffins Championship (for which Skidoo will probably start favourite) and three handicap races.

A feature of meetings years ago is to be revived in the "Mafoos" Race (the last on the programme).

I hear that all the Shanghai jockeys will be riding to-morrow.

Good sport is assured, with a chance of more big dividends.

Tips for the day will be given in to-morrow's first edition to be published before mid-day.

## WEIGHTS OUT.

Three Handicap Races for To-morrow.

Weights have been allotted by Mr. C. M. S. Alves (handicapper) for the three handicap events of to-morrow, as follow:

The Tytan Handicap (4th race), one mile:

Tangle ..... 167  
Kem Tong (4th) ..... 167  
Skidoo ..... 167  
King Alan ..... 160  
The Greig ..... 159  
Bagheera ..... 159  
Potentbush ..... 158  
King Boy ..... 158  
Borderer ..... 156  
Loch Tummel ..... 156  
Festive Eve ..... 156  
White Mouse ..... 156  
Scuder ..... 156  
Circe ..... 156  
Perversity ..... 156  
Yorks ..... 153  
Mountain Fox ..... 153  
Pearl River ..... 153  
Min River ..... 152  
Fire Call ..... 152  
Solstice Eve ..... 152  
Sugar Loaf ..... 152  
Grosvenor ..... 151  
Smoke Call ..... 150  
Darno ..... 149  
Fox trot ..... 149  
Sail Cellar ..... 148  
Kwong Chow ..... 148  
Tit Mois ..... 146  
The George and Vulture ..... 146  
Bashak ..... 146  
Lochaber ..... 145  
The Hong Kong Handicap— "A" Class (5th race) 1 1/4 miles—

Lbs.

San Francisco Bay ..... 173  
Elliot Bay ..... 173  
Chesapeake Bay ..... 173  
Misty Eve ..... 170  
Canadian ..... 167  
Brigade Call ..... 164  
King of England ..... 164  
Battle Eve ..... 164  
Bengal ..... 164  
Attaboy ..... 164  
King of the Plains ..... 152  
The Gomeril ..... 161  
Saucy Sue ..... 158  
Sunburst Rose ..... 155  
Grande del Norte ..... 155  
Ukulele ..... 152  
The Geezer ..... 152  
San Diego ..... 152  
September ..... 146  
Demon Boy ..... 145  
The Gnome ..... 143  
The Hong Kong Handicap— "B" Class (6th race) 1 1/4 miles—

Lbs.

Espoir ..... 162  
The Ghost ..... 161  
Bright Eve ..... 160  
Total Absentee ..... 158  
The Ghoul ..... 158  
Laceda II ..... 158  
Olo Custom ..... 158  
Grey Knight ..... 155

## KOWLOON CHESS CLUB.

The following have entered for the annual Championship of the Kowloon Chess Club:

D. E. de Carvalho (holder), H. W. Randall, S. G. Hayes, C. E. Wong, J. S. Smith, J. C. Faure, and W. Paterson.

Lbs.

Bill Brewer ..... 155  
Dobbin ..... 155  
Dolly ..... 155  
Lady Luck ..... 155  
Spotted Sand ..... 155  
Southampton ..... 152  
Saracen ..... 152  
Mowdy ..... 149  
Grey Streak ..... 149  
Rechabite ..... 146  
Loch Rannoch ..... 146  
August ..... 146  
Fox trot ..... 146  
The Ghoul ..... 146  
Salvo ..... 143  
More Better ..... 143  
Semaphore ..... 143

## LOCAL LEAGUE, FOOTBALL TABLES TO DATE.

Division I.

P. W. D. L. For Agst. Pts.

Club de Recreio ..... 11 8 2 1 33 15 18  
Kowloon F.C. ..... 13 6 2 5 23 14 14  
Police R.C. ..... 12 6 2 4 11 12 14  
Chinese Athletic ..... 12 5 4 3 18 22 14  
Scottish-Borderers ..... 18 6 1 6 20 19 18  
Royal Artillery ..... 12 5 2 5 18 18 12  
Hong Kong Football Club ..... 11 5 1 5 13 15 11  
South China A.A. ..... 12 0 0 11 5 26 2

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After the races each year, Hong Kong is always "full" of good and bad luck in the big drawings on the Derby and the Championships.

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The biggest prize was that of over \$100,000 in the Chinese Club which is shared by a syndicate of ten persons on the staff of the Astor House Hotel at Swatow.

This was reported in the later edition of Wednesday's "China Mail" when reference was also made to a number of other fortunate winners.

Other Big Prizes.

Now comes the story of a Chinese cook named Chan Fah-nam on the Indo-China s.s. "Kumsang," which is due back in port shortly.

He bought only one ticket in the Compradores' Association sweep on the Derby and his ticket won Eliot Bay, the winner. The prize is about \$60,000. It is said that the cook called at the comrade office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co., Ltd., when in Hong Kong some time ago and that he took only one ticket at random when invited to do so by Mrs. C. Luard (wife of the G.C.C.).

The results were:

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## LAWN TENNIS.

ANNUAL TOURNAMENT AT HK.C.C.

RAIN INTERFERES.

Two matches in the open singles championship were down for decision yesterday when the annual lawn tennis tournament of the Hong Kong Cricket Club began, but rain interfered.

E. C. Fincher and M. K. Lo had each won a set when play was stopped. Lo took the first set with the loss of a game but Fincher won the second 6-2.

In the other match, Grossi lost the first set to Hung Hun-chen and four games were shared in the second set when play was stopped. Both match will be replayed.

C. W. Cheng, one of the youngest Chinese players has conceded a walk over to Lu Tak-lam in the first round of the open singles.

## U.S.R.C. FINALS.

Yesterday's Conclusion and Prizes.

The annual tournament of the United Services Recreation Club at Kowloon concluded yesterday when the various finals were played.

The prizes were distributed by Mrs. C. C. Luard (wife of the G.C.C.).

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## KLOON MARATHON.

LARGE ENTRY OF SERVICE MEN.

MONDAY'S EVENT.

The seventh annual Kowloon Marathon Race (under the auspices of St. Andrew's Church, Young Men's Club) will be held on Monday, March 4, 1927.

As forecasted, the Committee has received a record number of entries—ten short of a hundred.

In view of the large number of entries the Committee has decided to put up two more souvenir prizes for the 3rd and 4th men home.

Competitors are requested to be at the St. Andrew's Church Hall by 4 p.m. in order to enable the Committee to allot numbers to them.

The majority of the entries comes from the K.O.S.B. Regiment and a large number from H.M. ships. There are only two civilian runners, Messrs. Middleton-Smith and Charles Figueiredo.

The following officials are in charge of the race: Judges, Messrs. G. R. Lindsay, W. W. Rogers, and P. Sands; Starter, Mr. W. S. Bailey; time-keepers, Messrs. A. F. Frew, F. Nichols, R. and J. H. Hult, Mr. Frank N. W. Doodah.

The St. Andrew's Young Men's Club is organising a Service Men's Club at their Club Room, in order to give the service men coming to this Colony a quiet place to write letters and read. There will also be a "Hot Dog" Counter where light refreshments will be served.

## CLUB WIN.

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## MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS.

FILMS BURNED.  
REPLACED BY FRESH SHIPMENTS.

The "Manila Bulletin" of February 25 reports: "Movie-going Manilans are fortunate that four large shipments of films were brought to Manila on Wednesday from the United States by the 'President Jefferson'. These films were still in the customs house when the Ecclesia fire early yesterday morning destroyed a large part of all the movie films in the Philippines.

Several hundred reels of films were stored in the vaults of the Lyric Film Exchange. They were valued at P175,000. Some of the larger and most expensive pictures burned were 'The Wonderer', Stella Dallas, Son of the Sheik, Volga Boatman and, The Million Dollar Handicap. A cablegram was sent to the United States yesterday ordering films to replace the pictures mentioned and others, but it will be about thirty days before they will be in Manila.

Many reels of films in use by the Manila play houses and the ones which arrived on the "President Jefferson" will be used until a new supply arrives.

## A SIMPLE PIECE.

A favourite piece of music is that famous piece, "Barcarolle Venetiane," by the talented artiste, Jules Bernard. It is a very simple piece yet its music stirs the soul.

It seems to be entirely different from all other pieces, and after a while you actually begin to think you are singing it yourself. It has clear notes, and when played by an expert is absolutely a masterpiece.

TIRED OF JAZZ.  
THE OLD DANCES GAINING GROUND.

This winter may mark a turning-point in the evolution of what used to be called "balroom dancing." There seem to be distinct signs that the dances from across the Atlantic are losing ground, and that the incurably romantic spirit of Europe is demanding something a little more satisfying than eternal jazz.

Recently a Paris orchestra, after having played innumerable blues, charlestons, and black bottoms, puzzled the younger folk by breaking into the strains of the "Blue Danube." First one or two couples, then more and more were lured by the music, and soon the floor was covered by dancers waltzing in the modern fashion; it is true to the air to which their grandmothers danced.

The experiment was an undoubted success. The same experiment is being repeated on the Riviera, where the Boston is played six or seven times in an evening. It is really beginning to look as if the waltz is coming into its own again.

A regimental quick march for the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, which has been approved, incorporates the famous melody "The Village Blacksmith."

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BERLIOZ REQUIEM.  
STRIKING EFFECT OF BRASSES AND CHORUS.

A magnificent performance of Berlioz's "Requiem" was conducted by Sir Hamilton Harty at the Albert Hall, and broadcast by wireless.

The work is rarely performed. It is one of the rare curiosities of music owing to the extraordinary factors in the orchestra and the more than dramatic effect aimed at by choral singing.

There was a great array of brass instruments, players from the Beesers' "The Barn" and Irwell Springs bands being arrayed high up about the chorus on the right and on the left. When they were in full blast the effect was blood-curdling.

The Halle Choir from Manchester gave us some of the best choral singing heard in London for some years, and M. Tudor Davies was first-rate in "Sanctus."

## MUSIC IN ITALY.

Writing on a visit to Italy a contributor to a contemporary says:—

The theatres are excellent and inexpensive. Even at the opera one may book a good seat for about 3s, and one is always sure of a satisfactory orchestra. Musical talents is both cheaper and more plentiful than with us. But one must be prepared for interruptions. Italians think nothing of entering or engaging in conversation in the middle of a scene or song. But this annoying habit is not unknown even in British theatres, so one must not say too much.

One of my joys when travelling in Italy is to listen to itinerant musicians. One may see, on the



Boys of the Westminster Abbey Choir with their Master, Sydney H. Nicholson, organist of the Abbey, who are touring Canada under the auspices of the National Council of Education, together with the Very Reverend Dr. Edward H. Fellowes, Prebendary of St. George's in Windsor Castle, and are accompanied by the Very Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Dr. A. V. Baillie-Campbell, chaplain to His Majesties in Canada. Member of the choir of St. George's Chapel, and Sydney H. Nicholson (left) organist of Westminster Abbey.

The official visit to Canada of the gentlemen of His Majesty's Free Chorus of St. George's in Windsor Castle, and the boy choristers of Westminster Abbey, accompanied by the Very Reverend Dr. Edward H. Fellowes, Prebendary of St. George's Chapel, and Sydney H. Nicholson, organist of Westminster Abbey, and Master of the Choristers, is made with the special approval of His Majesty the King. The visit of the choir which is now touring Canada from Fredericton to Vancouver and return, on the All-Red C.P.R. route, is more than a mark of inter-Empire courtesy; it is a gesture that should do much to help the further promotion of post sessions common to Canada and Great Britain.

The choir is here under the auspices of the National Free Chorus, which since its inception in 1919 has continually emphasized the importance of the place of music in education. This tour is essentially a part of the Council's programme designed to stimulate public interest in music as one of the most powerful influences in the life of both the individual and the nation.

The Choristers from Westminster Abbey and St. George's Chapel, to sing their way through Canada without a fee or recompence of any kind except the appearance they will gain, have a history going back to days when their grandfather, Columbus was a member of the choir, watching boats sail out and believing that if they went too far they might topple over the edge of the world. So Canada must feel comparatively young in the knowledge that the soft-footed Indian was still the emperor of the prairie, when the choristers first sang to the Order of Edward III in the chapel of St. George at Windsor.

The glory of the Dominions is in the long story that runs back through the centuries, and that story is told almost completely in the histories of Westminster Abbey and St. George's Chapel of which these visitors are the latest.

It is interesting to think of the three parallel scenes, Edward III, creating the Order of the Garter in St. George's Chapel, Columbus still unborn and his great-grandfather

perhaps sewing sails in the seaport of Genoa, Canada still in the haze of the undiscovered. And while these two latter scenes change dramatically, the choristers of St. George's have still gone on with their services, symbolizing the chivalry and honor of the twenty-six Knights of the Garter. The Gentlemen of St. George's and the boys of Westminster St. George's Chapel are those who sing the evening and services associated with the life of the Crown and the Order of the Garter. They also provide the music in the Private Chapel when Their Majesties are in residence at Windsor Castle.

The Dean of Windsor, Dr. A. V. Baillie, who will give lectures during the tour, on Windsor Castle, the Chapel of St. George and Westminster Abbey, is one of the outstanding figures in the ecclesiastical life of England. He is the godson of Queen Victoria and a nephew of Lord Elgin, former Governor-General of Canada. In addition to being chaplain to the King, he is also Registrar of the Order of the Garter.

Dr. Edmund H. Fellowes will lecture on Elizabethan and English Church music. He is the foremost living authority on music of the Tudor period, as witness his monumental edition of the English Madrigals which he has completed in 30 volumes.

As organist of Westminster Abbey, the choir of Mr. Nicholson have been inspired not only to the habitual worshippers at the Abbey, but also to the vast body of visitors to that shrine from all over the world. He is the author of "British Songs for British Boys." During this tour he will conduct a number of concerts, especially for Scouts and Guides in which Scout music will largely figure.

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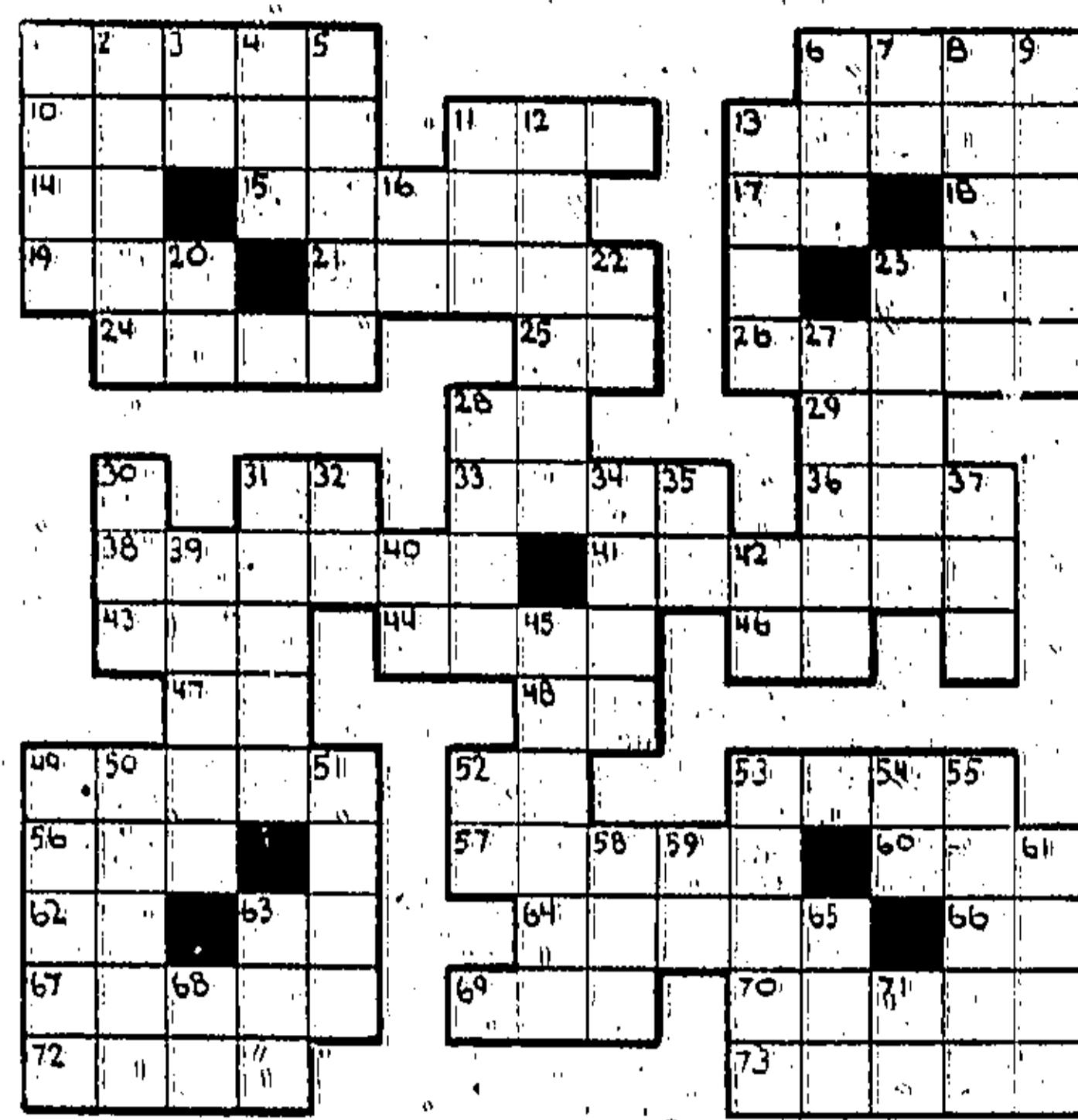
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AND WHOM SHALL  
I TAKE? I'LL HAVE  
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SIT AT YOUR  
RIGHT!



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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

1-Worthy to be imitated

6-Long tooth

10-Tank of oxygen

11-Resort

13-Parting to an hour

14-Tantalum

(chem. sym.)

15-A dancing-party

17-King of Bashan

(Bible)

18-One of the continents (abbr.)

19-Eagle

21-Below

23-A fish

24-Supported

25-Treasurer (abbr.)

28-Prefix, Form of

29-A paper measure (abbr.)

31-Interjection

33-Combining form, Tan

36-A female servant (India)

38-To fall

41-A Cossack chief

43-Conjunction

44-To keep from being spent

46-Opera (abbr.)

## VERTICAL (Cont.)

12-Good trim

13-Dancing parties

16-Negative

20-Point of compass

(abbr.)

22-Either

23-Greek letter G

27-To hamper

30-To reeds

31-Behind

32-Hair (abbr.)

33-A head-ache

34-Ones (Sack)

37-Conjunction

39-To examine, as accounts

40-Left side (abbr.)

42-Toward

45-Dedicated by a vow

49-Flower (French)

50-Lat

51-To tattle

52-For instance

53-Garret

54-What

55-Combining form, MILK

58-Obtained

60-Hotel-like (abbr.)

61-Part of feet

62-To interweave

65-Part of verb "to be"

68-Personal pronoun

71-A title

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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From	FRIDAY, MARCH	Per
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	4	
SATURDAY, MARCH	5	
Shanghai	Suiyung.	
Manila	Empress of Asia.	
Sunday, MARCH	6	
Straits, U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Takada.	
FRIDAY, MARCH	18	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, & Shanghai	President Grant.	

OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	FRIDAY, MARCH	Per
Saigon	Genzan Maru	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Antenor	5 p.m.
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Straits	Yat Shing	1.30 p.m.
Wei Hui Wei	Kwangse	2 p.m.
Saigon	Pheam Penh	5 p.m.
Sunday, MARCH	Kaying	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy	Kaijo	8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Liangchow	9 a.m.
Amoy	Anhui	9 a.m.
Swatow	Sin Kiang	9 a.m.
MONDAY, MARCH	Kweiyang	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Mausang	11.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Liangchow	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Hal Hong	Noon
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HONG KONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1927.

HOTELS COMPANY.

Annual Meeting Held  
To-day.

TROOPS AT KOWLOON.

Reference was made at the annual meeting this morning of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. to the taking over by the War Office of the Peninsula Hotel, and to the effect on the 1928 accounts of both the fire at the Hongkong Hotel fourteen months ago and the sale by the company of the Kafee Hotel.

The attendance represented 74,105 shares comprising Mr. J. H. Taggart (chairman), Mr. Walter J. Hawker (managing director), Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. John Fleming, Mr. B. Lander Lewis (directors), Mr. P. H. Scadding, A.S.A.A. (general manager), Mr. G. G. Copley (secretary) and the following shareholders:—Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. A. A. Alves, E. Abraham, J. T. Bagram, O. R. Benson, W. H. Brown, J. T. Sang Choy, N. V. A. Croucher, F. J. Easterbrook, W. E. Van Eps, Fung Tak-hang, H. Gibbons, O. Kitchell, Kwock Kam-hang, J. E. Mackenzie, T. R. Parsons, Poon, Luk-fung, F. W. Schner, P. M. N. da Silvas A. W. Smith, Soo Pei-shao.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

Review of Figures in the Report.

After the secretary had read the convening notice, Mr. Taggart said:—

As the printed report and accounts have been in your hands for several days I will, with your permission, follow the usual procedure of taking them as read.

The report of the auditors follows:—

"We have audited the above account and balance sheet with the books and documents of the head office and the accounts and balance sheet of the Shanghai branch rendered by Messrs. Thomson & Co., certified by them as correct. We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion such balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the company."

PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING  
Incorporated Accountants,  
Auditors.

Hong Kong, Feb. 15, 1927.  
Sale of Kafee Hotel.

You will notice from the Profit and Loss account for the 1928 that the balance of working account is \$1,194,378.33—an increase of \$55,000 on the balance of working account of the preceding year. The Working account for 1926 included credit, proportionately for the twelve months, in respect of rental insurance as a result of the company's loss of the north block of the Hong Kong Hotel by the fire which occurred on January 1, 1926; on the other hand, the company lost, for the last two months of the year, revenue from the Kafee Hotel, Shanghai. Therefore, the 1928 balance of working account cannot fairly be compared with the figure of the previous year, as the profit on working is not wholly accounted for by the earnings of the properties operated by the company to-day.

Loss on Exchange.

Whilst making mention of the Kafee Hotel in Shanghai, I should inform you that delivery of that property was duly made by the company on December 1st last, and the figure \$370,102.32 appearing to the credit of Profit and Loss account represents the profit made by the company on that transaction. It unfortunately happened that at the end of the year, when a large part of the sale price was transferred to our bank account in Hong Kong, the rate of exchange was against us, with the result that to the debit of Profit and Loss account appears \$83,986.96 due to loss on exchange. I am pleased to be able to inform you that the major portion of the turnover of the Kafee Hotel has since been absorbed by the business of our other Shanghai establishments.

Land & Buildings.

The items "Land" and "Buildings" in the balance sheet at December 31, 1926, naturally appear at figures lower than those shown at December 31, 1925, due to the adjustments necessary to have been made in consequence of the sale of the Kafee Hotel property in Shanghai and the building loss sustained through the fire at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong.

Board's Help to the Army.

The item "Payments on account" of construction in progress" in the balance sheet is in respect of the Peninsula Hotel at Kowloon, Hong Kong. Work on that project was suspended last month owing to the building having been taken over by the Military Authorities as from the 1st instant under an agreement which provides for a monthly rental to the company and reinstatement of the premises during tenancy. Although the terms of the agreement are, in all the circumstances of the case, reasonable, your board would have preferred in the ultimate interests of the company to have been able to proceed towards completion. I am sure you will agree, however, that no other course was open to your directors but to amicably acquiesce in the Military Authorities making use of this building which is so obviously entirely suited to their immediate requirements. It is, of course, impossible to estimate the duration of the troubles in China, but so long as abnormal conditions prevail and it is necessary for additional forces to be stationed in the Far East, I am confident you fully endorse the policy of your board in loyally giving this company's co-operation and support.

Bank's Financial Help.

Regarding the important matter of finance, I regret it is impossible in present circumstances for your board to recommend the declaration of a dividend in respect of the past financial year. As you are, of course aware, the situation which arose in June 1926 prevented the then proposed issue of further shares of the company being a success. Since that time one can hardly say that business conditions generally and more particularly financially have very greatly improved. The company was committed to the erection of the Peninsula Hotel, and heavy payments on that account which should, in the ordinary course of events, have been financed by the augmentation of the company's subscribed capital—have been met out of moneys advanced to the company on overdraft facilities by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, to whom our thanks are therefore due for the considerate attitude shown in what cannot but be regarded as a period of financial stringency.

Mr. Hawker's Promotion.

I think there is little I could usefully add at this juncture. Before closing my remarks, however, I am compelled to make reference to a matter personal to myself. It became necessary during the course of last year for your board to grant to me leave of absence on the ground of ill health and in June last Mr. Hawker was on my recommendation promoted by the board to the position of a managing director, an appointment which his hard work in your interests particularly during the past two years, so well merited. On my return to the Colony in December last I was constrained to resign my own position as a managing director whereupon the directors invited me to a seat on the board and elected me to the chairmanship, it is on that account that your confirmation is requested at this meeting to my appointment as a director. I should perhaps add that Mr. Hawker will proceed on Home leave on the 15th instant and that from that date it has been arranged that I shall pro tem resume the position of a managing director.

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adopted and that of the balance of Profit and Loss account the sum of \$300,000 is transferred to General Reserve and \$503,759.45 is carried forward to 1927 account. When that proposal has been seconded I shall be pleased for shareholders to put questions, and then to answer them to the best of my ability.

Sir Robert Ho Tung seconded the resolution as given above. No question was asked and the motion was carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS.

It was proposed by Mr. J. T. Bagram and seconded by Mr. H. Gitting that the appointment of Messrs. Allan Cameron, John Fleming, B. Lander Lewis and J. H. Taggart as directors of the company be confirmed and that Mr. E. M. Raymond be re-elected a director—carried unanimously.

Mr. N. V. A. Croucher proposed (and Mr. W. E. Van Eps seconded) that Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming be re-elected auditors of the Company for the ensuing year at a fee of \$2,000 and that Messrs. Thomson & Co. be re-elected auditors of the Shanghai branch for the ensuing year at a fee of 1,000 taels—carried unanimously.

TO-NIGHT'S BALL.

WELCOME STIMULANT AND TONIC.

WHERE TO BOOK.

Judging by the completeness of the arrangements made for to-night's masked fancy dress ball at the City Hall, nothing will be wanting to enable everyone present to forget their cares and woes, and it is the hope of the promoters that an evening will be provided long to be remembered by those lucky enough to be free to turn up.

The whole suite of rooms at the City Hall has been engaged and although it is anticipated that some 500 will be present there will be ample room for all to dance in comfort and sit out at will.

The decorations are of the best, each room having been arranged in a distinctive colour. The Hong Kong Hotel is doing the catering and as music is a prime necessity for a successful ball care has been taken to get the best possible.

Masking introduces a touch of romance and this evening should prove a welcome stimulant and tonic to a people rather weary of the troubles which have figured so prominently of late.

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PORTUGUESE AIRMAN.

Casablanca, March 3. The aeroplane piloted by the Portuguese airman, Major Sarmiento Beires, who is on a world flight, has arrived from Lisbon and is proceeding to Portuguese Guinea, thence across the Atlantic to Brazil. The itinerary includes calls at Batavia and Singapore.

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NOTICE.

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MR. J. BARENDSZEN being no longer in our employ his Power of Attorney is hereby cancelled.

AMERICAN ASIATIC UNDERWRITERS,  
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L. M. HOWE,  
Special Representative.

March 1st, 1927.

Dealing With the Balance.

The accounts before you show

that \$276,677.32 has been charged

as depreciation, leaving a net

balance of \$803,769.45 to be dealt

with at this meeting, and I now

formally beg to propose that the

balance of the account be

settled with the balance of the

Profit and Loss account.

With the balance of the Profit and

Loss account, the balance of the

Profit and Loss account will

be carried forward to the next

year.

NOTICE.